(12) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLISHED UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

(19) World Intellectual Property Organization International Bureau



(43) International Publication Date 19 February 2004 (19.02.2004)

(10) International Publication Number WO 2004/015359 A1

(51) International Patent Classification7: F41B 6/00, F42B 33/00

F42B 5/26.

(21) International Application Number:

PCT/SH2003/001253

- (22) International Filing Date: 7 August 2003 (07.08.2003)
- (25) Filing Language:

Swedish

(26) Publication Language:

English

(30) Priority Data: 0202387-7

8 August 2002 (08.08.2002) SE

- (71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): BOFORS DEFENCE AB [SE/SE]; S 691 80 Karlskoga (SE).
- (72) Inventors; and
- (75) Inventors/Applicants (for US only): STARK, Ola [SE/SE]; Engholmsgatan 28B, S-652 21 Karlstad (SE). GUSTAVSSON, Lennart [SE/SE]; Systerstigen 15, S-691 44 Karlskoga (SF.).
- (74) Agent: LUNDAHL, Kjell; Saab Bofors Support AB, Patents and Trademarks, S-691 80 Karlskoga (SE).

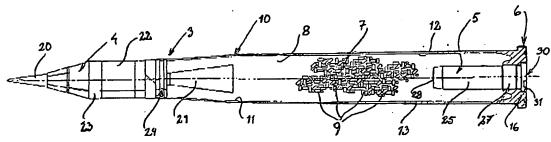
- (81) Designated States (national): AE, AG, AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BY, BZ, CA, CH, CN, CO, CR, CU, CZ, DF, DK, DM, DZ, EC, EE, ES, FI, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IN, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MA, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, MZ, NI, NO, NZ, OM, PG, PH, PL, PT, RO, RU, SC, SD, SE, SG, SK, SL, SY, TJ, TM, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, ÙG, US, UZ, VC, VN, YU, ZA, ZM, ZŴ.
- (84) Designated States (regional): ARIPO patent (GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, MZ, SD, SL, SZ, TZ, UG, ZM, ZW), Eurasian patent (AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM), European patent (AT, BE, BG, CH, CY, CZ, DE, DK, RE, ES, II, FR, GB, GR, HU, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, RO, SF, SI, SK, TR), OAPI patent (BP, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, GQ, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG).

Published:

- with international search report
 - with amended claims

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.

(54) Title: INSTILATED CARTRIDGE CASE AND AMMUNITION, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SUCH CASES AND AMMUNITION, AND USE OF SUCH CASES AND AMMUNITION IN VARIOUS DIFFERENT WEAPON SYSTEMS.



(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a cartridge case (2) and ammunition round (1) primarily for electrothermal and/or electrothermochemical weapon systems, which round comprises the said cartridge case. According to the invention, the casing (10) of the cartridge case comprises or consists of one or more insulated or insulating shells, layers or surfaces (11, 12, 13) for, at least electrically, insulating the casing of the cartridge case from the barrel (14) of the weapon system and also preferably from at least the bottom (16) and/or firing device (5) of the ammunition round as well, but preferably also from the rest of the ammunition round, when the round is used, and also preferably from at least the bottom and/or firing device of the ammunition round as well, but preferably also from the rest of the ammunition round, when the round is stored and handled. The invention also relates to a method for manufacturing an, at least electrically, insulated or insulating cartridge case and an ammunition round primarily for electrothermal and/or electrothermochemical weapon systems, which round comprises such a cartridge case, and also use of such insulated or insulating cartridge cases and ammunition rounds in different weapon systems, but preferably in electrothermal and electrothermochemical SEST AVAILABLE COPY weapon systems.